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1. SUMMARY COMMITTEE II ACTIVITIES WOUND UP ON MAY 23.
FINAL DAY'S SESSIONS INCLUDED LENGTHY WRANGLING ON
WHETHER THE BARIOUS VIEWS EXPRESSED IN COMMITTEE
ON ARTICLE SIII, IV AND V WOULD BE REFLECTED IN COMMITTEE
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REPORT TO PLENARY AND WHETHER ANY PAPERS WOULD BE

TRANSMITTED TO PLENARY AS CONSENSUS DOCUMENTS. COMMITTEE II ELECTED TO FOLLOW PROCEDURE ADOPTED BY COMMITTEE I AND ADOPTED REPORT TRANSMITTING WITHOUT COMMENT THE VARIOUS DOCUMENTS FORMALLY TABLED. ND SUMMARY

2. COMMITTEE II WOUND UP ITS ACTIVITIES ON MAY 23 WITH LONG AND DIFFICULT FINAL SESSION, DURING WHICH REPORT OF COMMITTEE II AND PAPERS WHICH HAD BEEN FORMALLY TABLED WERE CONSIDERED.

MORNING SESSION BEGAN WITH CHAIRMAN INTRODUCING PROPOSED OUTLINE OF COMMITTEE REPORT AND SUGGESTING THAT COMMITTEE REVIEW PAPERS FORMALLY TABLED WITH A VIEW TO TRANSMITTING THEM TO PLENARY AS EITHER CONSENSUS DOCUMENTS OR DOCUMENTS ON WHICH NO CONSENSUS HAD BEEN REACHED. SESSION SOON DEGENERATED INTO INCONCLUSIVE DEBATE ON WHETHER REPORT SHOULD SUMMARIZE ALL THE VARIOUS VIEWS WHICH HAD BEEN EXPRESSED ON ARTICLES III, IV AND V. PHILIPPINE REP (SIAZON), WITH LITTLE SUPPORT, INSISTED REPORT SHOULD INCLUDE SUCH ACCOUNT. SEVERAL DELS EXPRESSED STRONG OPPOSITION BASED ON THE DIFFICULTY OF DRAFTING SUCH AN ACCOUNT ACCEPTABLE TO ALL AT ELEVENTH HOUR.

3. AFTER EARLY ADJOURNMENT OF MORNING SESSION, SIAZON, WITH LIMITED HELP FROM CHAIRMAN, PUT TOGETHER 3 PAGE PAPER INTENDED TO REFLECT "ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS OF DIFFERENCE", AS EXPRESSED IN COMMITTEE II. AT SAME TIME, WORKING GROUP COMPOSED OF REPS OF INDUSTRIALIZED STATES WORKED OUT COMPROMISE PAPER ON ARTICLE III.2 INCORPORATING IN EXISTING DRAFT REVISED SUPPLEMENTARY LANGUAGE WORKED OUT PRIVATELY BY PHILIPPINE AND UK REPS (SEE SEPTTEL).

4. FORMAL AFTERNOON SESSION OF COMMITTEE II OPENED WITH REVIEW OF EACH PAPER FORMALLY TABLED IN COMMITTEE. EXPECTATION OF CHAIRMAN AND MANY DELS THAT HAD PARTICIPATED IN INFORMAL WORKING GROUPS CLEARLY WAS THAT CONSENSUS ON AD REFERENDUM BASIS COULD BE REACHED ON FORWARDING SEVERAL COMPROMISE DOCUMENTS FOR FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION BY PLENARY. WHEN FIRST COMPROMISE DOCUMENT (ON ART IV, SEE REFTTEL) CAME UP FOR DISCUSSION HOWEVER, ROMANIAN DEL, SUPPORTED BY ONE OR TWO OTHERS, INDICATED HE COULD NOT SUPPORT DOCUMENT IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRESENT FORM, AND THAT ALL DOCUMENTS WOULD HAVE TO BE FORWARDED TO PLENARY ON EQUAL FOOTING. MEXICAN DEL (GARCIA ROBLES), MAKING ONE OF HIS INFREQUENT APPEARANCES IN COMMITTEE II, ANNOUNCED THAT MEXICAN DEL WOULD NOT AGREE TO ANY OF COMMITTEE II DOCUMENTS. ACKNOWLEDGING HE HAD NOT EVEN READ ART IV PAPER IN QUESTION, HE SAID "FINAL ACT" OF CONFERENCE MUST BE INTEGRAL WHOLE AND MEXICAN DEL WOULD HAVE TO RESERVE ON ANY DOCUMENT UNTIL IT COULD SEE DOCUMENT

IN CONTEXT OF ALL OTHERS. HE ALSO SAID MORE TIME WAS NEEDED TO STUDY THE VARIOUS DOCUMENTS. HE HASTENED TO MINIMIZE EFFECT OF NOT REACHING CONSENSUS ON ANY DOCUMENTS IN COMMITTEE II AND PRAISED ITS WORK. A NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS, SOME IN BITTER TONES, THEN MADE APPEAL FOR THOSE DELS BLOCKING CONSENSUS TO RECONSIDER IN LIGHT OF SIGNIFICANT EFFORT WHICH HAD GONE INTO COMPROMISE FORMULATIONS. SEVERAL REPS INDICATED THAT SIMPLY TO FORWARD PAPERS TO PLEANARY WITHOUT DIFFERENTIATING BETWEEN THEM WOULD NOT BE HELPFUL. FRG REP INDICATED HE HAD MADE SEVERAL CONSESSIONS IN AGREEING TO ARTICLE IV COMPROMISE PAPER AND THAT, IF CONSENSUS COULD NOT BE REACHED ONIT, HE RESERVED RIGHT TO REOPEN CERTAIN ISSUES. US REP (VAN DOREN), REFERRING TO SAME PAPER, STRESSED THAT DECISIONS REACHED IN COMMITTEE WERE ALL AD REFERENDUM.

4. SEVERAL DELS SPOKE AGAINST INCLUSION OF SUMMARY OF POSITIONS DRAFTED BY PHILIPPINE REP IN VIEW OF DIFFICULTY OF AMENDING PAPER SO AS TO MAKE IT SATISFACTORY TO ALL. MEXICAN REP FAVORED HAVING TWO COMMITTEES USE THE SAME APPROACH. THEREFORE COMMITTEE II REPORT SHOULD SIMPLY REFER TO SUMMARY RECORDS. SOME CONFUSION WAS CAUSED BY FACT THAT CERTAIN DELS WHO HAD FAVORED HAVING COMMITTEE II EXPRESS CONSENSUS ON COMPROMISE DOCUMENTS WANTED AS NEXT BEST THING TO HAVE SOME GREATER REFLECTION OF WHAT COMMITTEE HAD DONE IN REPORT AND THUS FOUND THEMSELVES SYMPATHETIC TOWARD PHILIPPINE PROPOSAL. USSR REP (ARKADIEV) STRONGLY SUPPORTED HAVING REPORT ITSEL MORE FULLY REFLECT THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE. CHAIRMAN AND OTHERS MADE PERSONAL APPEAL TO PHILIPPINES TO WITHDRAW HIS PROPOSAL TO INCLUDE SUMMARY OF VIEWS AND TO SETTLE INSTEAD FOR ATTACHING IT AS PHILIPPINE PAPER. WITH TIME RUNNING OUT, PHILIPPINE DEL DID NOT PRESS HIS PROPOSAL AND BRIEF FORM OF REPORT WAS APPROVED. ALTHOUGH SEVERAL DELEGATIONS HAD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MENTIONED POSSIBLE NEED FOR VOTING, ALL CONCERNED APPEARED ANXIOUS TO AVOID RESORTING TO THAT.
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